

Preliminary Amendment

In re Application of: Espe

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In the Abstract

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure, found on page 11, as follows:

A press pad is disclosed having a fabric, whose weft and/or warp ~~(1)~~each have alternating types of thread and preferably having differing elasticities transverse to the thread axis, these types of thread having polymer material with high temperature stability. Using this press pad, the compensation of different pressures is improved in relation to the known press pads.